

PROCLAMATION

OVERDOSE AWARENESS DAY

MONDAY, AUGUST 31, 2026

WHEREAS, on Monday, August 31, 2026, the Town of Moncks Corner, in partnership with WakeUp Carolina and our dedicated community partners, will come together to observe Overdose Awareness Day; and

WHEREAS, as part of the 3rd Annual Berkeley County “Light the Way for Hope” gathering, we will honor the lives lost to substance use and stand in solidarity with families and individuals affected, offering light, remembrance, and the assurance that they are never alone; and

WHEREAS, The Town of Moncks Corner is aware of the devastating impact caused by drug overdose, as we witness the daily effects upon individuals and families and the uncalculated cost in our community; and

WHEREAS, Overdose Awareness Day is a time for us to remember those who have died from drug overdose and to acknowledge the grief endured by loved ones left behind; and

WHEREAS, we resolve to do our part in reducing the toll of overdose within our community through continued outreach, education, and support—affirming that every person affected is someone’s child, sibling, parent, and neighbor, deserving of love, dignity, and hope; and

WHEREAS, The Town of Moncks Corner is deeply grateful for the compassionate individuals and organizations who selflessly dedicate their time and talents to assist those struggling with substance use.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT PROCLAIMED that the Town of Moncks Corner hereby designates Monday, August 31st as **Light the Way for Hope—Overdose Awareness Day**, and encourages all residents to raise awareness, connect others to life-saving resources, and share in the promise of recovery.

Signed and sealed this 18th day of August 2026.

Thomas J. Hamilton, Jr., Mayor